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On preparing the above-identified application for issue, it has been found that due to a clerical error, the IDS filed on December 17, 2003 failed to properly characterize three of the listed documents.

More specifically, the IDS should have indicated that all of the listed prior art was made known to the Applicant as a result of it having been cited by the German Patent Office during an examination of a corresponding German application.

Furthermore, while 6 of the 9 listed documents were cited of background interest, 3 of the documents, namely U.S. Patent Nos. 5,557,156 and 6,107,770 and German Patent No. DE 197 10 714 C1 were characterized as "relevant concerning novelty" of the independent claims. Applicant's German representative believed to the contrary and did not substantially modify the claims before filing the present US application.

By this IDS, Applicant also indicates that German Patent No. DE 197 10 714 C1 is believed to correspond to US Patent No. 6,040,567 and European Patent No. EP 12 38 745 A2 is believed to correspond to US Publication 2002/0125222.

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Applicant regrets the inadvertent error and requests acknowledgment that this further described prior art has been fully considered by the Examiner.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS				
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	6,040,567		Neher, et al.	03-21-2000
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